

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Fairbanks Community Food Bank Service, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-0088266****Project Title:****Project Type: Equipment and Materials**

Fairbanks Community Food Bank Service, Inc. - Repair Warehouse Floors, Process Donated Fish and Purchase Two Freezer Vans

State Funding Requested: \$49,200
One-Time Need**House District: Fairbanks Areawide (1-5)****Brief Project Description:**

Repair and reseal warehouse floors, process and ship 43,000 pounds of donated fish and purchase two freezer vans to accommodate the donated fish.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$49,200
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2015 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$49,200)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

Funding Details:

none

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Fairbanks Food Bank was successful in getting 43,000 pounds of fish donated to Interior Alaska through a non-profit called SEA SHARE. It was by-catch salmon (and a little halibut) which was processed in Seattle and shipped back up to Alaska. There was a sponsor through SEA SHARE to pay all these costs the first year, but that will not be a repeat gift. I do understand the Alaska Seafood Industry is very interested in getting fish back up to Interior Alaska, instead of always shipping it to 43 other food banks in 14 other states, but the fact is that it is more expensive to return the fish to Interior Alaska. For this food bank to handle that volume of fish again (last year SEA SHARE shipped to us in October and November, right in the middle of our holiday in-gathering, and that problem was solved for us by Luther Brice who loaned us a freezer truck, but that is not an offer he will make again) I would like to find two 20 foot freezer marine unit vans to purchase, and I believe that if we can find and ship them here that would be about \$10,000 each (the reason for 2 is that they are easier to locate on our lot than one 40 foot van). Total for the 2 marine units would be \$20,000.

The 43,000 pounds of donated fish will need to be processed and shipped to the Fairbanks Community Food Bank at 40 cents/pound, which equals \$17,200.

A \$12,000 capital request to repair the warehouse floors, they need to be resealed. One was never sealed and the other one was sealed in 1998 and the expected life of the sealant was 10 years.

Project Timeline:

If funded, all project expenditures will occur in 2015.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Fairbanks Food Bank

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No